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North Pole Estates decision continued

By Walter Hamilton
Correspondent

SOUTH HADLEY – Opponents of a proposed housing subdivision, that would be located on the same Dry Brook Hill site as an existing industrial gravel strip mine, cited safety hazards and potential property damage during a continued Planning Board public hearing last week.

Chicopee Concrete Services (CCS), the applicant, has submitted a nine-lot proposal, pared down from its original 72-lot configuration that now contains two housing lots that would need subdivision approval. The project as now planned, dubbed North Pole Estates, would require removal off-site of some half-million cubic yards of earth material.

Critics of the plan and Planning Director Richard Harris

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Saved off a ledge

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

SOUTH HADLEY – Six months following a dramatic rescue, a local resident and a two-year-old Siberian Husky re-connected with the local first responders who saved the day. On Wednesday afternoon, Heather Ellis and her dog Wiley paid a visit to South Hadley Fire District #2 on Woodbridge St.

April 22 is a day that Ellis, a South Hadley High School English teacher, will not soon forget. With Wiley by her side, Ellis was hiking the Lithia Springs Trail on Mt. Tom when the unthinkable happened.

“We were having lunch with a friend of ours, and Wiley decided to go chase a leaf,” said Ellis, noting he escaped his tether. “Wiley slid down the side of this embankment, which turned out to be sort of a precipice. He fortunately landed on a ledge that was about a foot wide and about six ft. long; it was 60 ft. high.”

More than 12 ft. separated Ellis from her beloved dog.

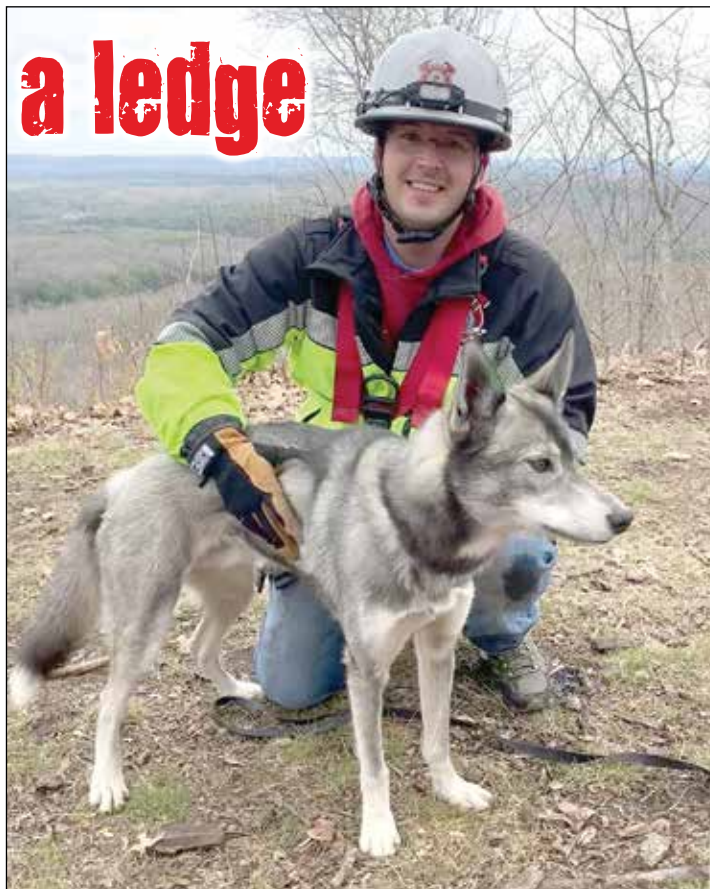


Photo submitted by Capt. Ryan Moore

Lt. Brian Faye with Wiley moments after a dramatic rescue on April 22.

Tempted to make the dangerous trek down to Wiley herself, Ellis instead dialed 911.

Lt. Brian Fay of Fire District #2 responded to the call

alongside Capt. Ryan Moore, firefighter Scott Libby and firefighter Tim Cauley. As the group

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Selectboard to interview four Fire Chief candidates

By MELINA BOURDEAU
Staff writer

GRANBY – The Granby Selectboard unanimously approved to interview four candidates for the interim Fire Chief position at its Oct. 21 meeting.

Robert Czerwinski, Tyler Yvon, Gene Os and Micheline Turgeon are the four candidates for the position.

Each person will be interviewed by the board for about 40 minutes at the board’s next meeting.

Selectboard members discussed the candidates and the position in their meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 13.

Selectboard Chair Glenn Sexton said the board was “looking forward to moving to the next step, which is our interview process.”

One candidate was eliminated because they did not meet the prerequisites.

Selectboard member Jay Joyce asked about the candidates’ residency.

“I know when we get a full-time fire chief there is a residency requirement. I didn’t see a residency requirement mentioned in the original advertisement for the position. I didn’t know if that required or not,” Joyce said.

Sexton replied he didn’t believe a residency requirement would be necessary for an interim fire chief.

“I think that is a discussion that we’ll have when we go to hire a permanent chief,” Sexton said.

He touched on the fact the selectboard should conduct interviews with each of the candidates to get to know “what they bring to the table and some of their vision for the future.”

“I looked at all the resumes and I am very impressed with each one and I definitely see qualified people here,” Sexton said. “Honestly, I would be okay moving forward with the four individuals who have applied for the position. I would like to interview those applicants and go from there.”

Selectboard member Jennifer DeSilva said she agreed with

Sexton.

“I think all applications have merit in their own right, so getting to know the individual person behind the paper would be... our best bet because if we were to just make it on paper, we would be very hard pressed,” DeSilva said.

Interviews will begin in the selectboard’s Oct. 21 meeting at 5 p.m.

In September, the selectboard voted the acting Fire Chief, Bruce Carpenter, hold off on his retirement until Nov. 14 by appointing him as fire services assistant administrator.

Since June 1, Carpenter, who was previously deputy chief, has been working as acting chief of the department, however he notified the board in early August that he would be retiring in September.

The selectboard discussed finding an interim fire chief following the termination of Granby Fire Chief John Mitchell Jr. on July 23. During executive sessions, the board discussed Mitchell’s employment with the town and determined in a July 22 executive session to terminate him, effective the next day.

Mitchell was placed on unpaid administrative leave from the Fire Department for 30 days, since June 1, according to Town Administrator Christopher Martin.

COVID positivity rate increases

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

SOUTH HADLEY – For the second consecutive week, the town of South Hadley’s positivity rate compared to COVID-19 testing has risen. Town Administrator Mike Sullivan spoke plainly in the Town Administrator’s Report released on Oct. 13.

“While the data contained within this and previous reports can seem confusing, conflicting and even overwhelming, the most important issue to recognize is that COVID-19 is very much present in South Hadley and by all indications increasing by way of infection,” said Sullivan.

Over the course of the past week, South Hadley’s contact cases have risen by two. As of Oct. 13, there were 221 confirmed cases, 222 contact cases, nine probable cases and six suspected cases of COVID-19.

Confirmed cases indicate South Hadley residents who have tested positive for the novel coronavirus while contact cases represent those who have come in direct contact or may live with a person who has tested positive; these individuals had not been tested but were likely shedding the virus at some point.

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COVID protocols added to Nov. 3 in-person voting

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

SOUTH HADLEY – Next month, the South Hadley High School will once again serve as the town’s home for in-person on Election Day. Unlike previous years, however, ballot boxes will be spread throughout the building on Nov. 3 for the Presidential Election.

South Hadley’s five precincts will be scattered inside of the high school on the first Tuesday of next month. Town Clerk Carlene Hamlin explained what motivated the change.

“At one point during the [Sept. 1] primary, the line itself getting into the gym, providing the six-feet of social distancing and waiting, was wrapped all the way back to the band room of the high school, which created a pretty lengthy stay for some folks who were waiting for a while,” said Hamlin.

Towns and cities across the country have been forced to modify traditional voting procedures as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Hamlin acknowledged that South Hadley closely analyzed

last month’s affair and responded accordingly.

“We were able to come up with a better model,” she said. “Now, Precinct E will be voting in the library; it will be a stand alone line for them. Precinct D will be voting in the Tiger’s Den, Precinct C will be voting in the cafeteria and Precincts A and B will be reporting to the gym. Everybody pretty much has their own entrance and exit.”

The strategy that the town will employ on Nov. 3 has been designed to create a better flow of traffic and allow voters to maintain adequate social distancing without being stuck in lengthy lines.

Hamlin also stressed that the new-found technique will help to ensure the safety of the town’s front-line workers, who will be critical to bringing about a successful Election Day.

South Hadley recently received a \$9,000 state grant that will enable the town to employ more election workers on Nov. 3. Hamlin noted that the town is going to great lengths to make the upcoming election is safe and trouble free.

“We’re being smart, we’re being effi-

cient and we’re being accountable,” said Hamlin.

As of Oct. 14, the Town Clerk’s office had already mailed approximately 6,000 of 12,000 mail-in ballots; nearly 3,000 have already been returned. Hamlin ensured voters that their mail-in ballots will not be tampered with.

“We hear a lot about that nationally so it’s really important to make sure that our voters feel good and that our residents feel good. Our office keeps its finger on the pulse, and our Postmaster is moving mountains,” said Hamlin.

She continued on to state that ballots stay in town once they’ve reached the post office and also that the typical rate of return is one or two days.

Mail-in ballots can also be dropped into a drop box that is cemented into the ground behind the South Hadley Police Dept. on Bridge St. The box is constantly under the surveillance of two cameras, and town officials such as Hamlin retrieve ballots on an hourly basis, seven days a week.

Early voting was a successful component of last month’s primary election

and is expected to be again. Early voting occurs inside of the Community Room at the South Hadley Public Library on Canal St.

This coming Saturday and Sunday, the library will be open for early voting from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. From Oct. 19 through Oct. 23, early voting will be ongoing from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

On Oct. 24 and 25, early voting will occur from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., and from Oct. 26 through Oct. 30, early voting will be accessible from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Oct. 24 is the last day to register for the Nov. 3 election. From Hamlin’s perspective, there is no better time of year than election season, an occurrence she’s been preparing for since long before the pandemic arrived.

“There’s always excitement in the air, especially when it comes to a presidential election,” said Hamlin. “You don’t just all of a sudden start planning for this a couple of months in advance. There’s always a year of prep for this in anticipation.”

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Virtual program offers an exploration of historic maps

HOLYOKE – On Wednesday, Oct. 21 at 2 p.m., Wistariahurst will present “The visual language of maps: a virtual visit to the Leventhal map and education center,” an online virtual program. Hosted by Rachel Mead, Public Engagement and Interpretation Coordinator for the Norman B. Leventhal Map and Education Center, participants will get an up-close and personal tour of Leventhal Map and Education Center’s current online exhibition, “Bending Lines: Maps and Data from Distortion to Deception.” Additionally, participants will experience a collaborative and close look at a few historic maps of Holyoke. The presentation will leave you with many ways to explore your geographic interests.

This program is free and is open to all members of the public, but has been specially designed to address the needs of area seniors, many of whom continue to be socially isolated as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The program is supported through a Community Development Block Grant - COVID-19

Grant to address, prevent, and respond to the COVID-19 Pandemic that is administered through the Holyoke Office of Community Development and has been planned in consultation with the Holyoke Council on Aging. Additional support has been provided through NEH CARES Act funding granted by Mass Humanities.

To register for “The Visual Language of Maps: A Virtual Visit to the Leventhal Map & Education Center” or any future programs, please visit www.Wistariahurst.org or contact Eileen Maginnis at the Holyoke Council on Aging at maginnise@holyoke.org. If you have an idea for a topic you’d like to be considered for a future Wistariahurst session, please contact info@wistariahurst.org.

Future virtual programs will focus on a diverse range of historical and cultural topics including programs on nature, art, history, travel, and social justice. Upcoming presentations are set to include the labor movement and women’s organizing in local factories and the history of Holyoke’s St. Patrick’s Day Parade.

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South Hadley’s average daily incidence rate per 100,000 residents is 3.16%. In the past 14 days, 2,002 South Hadley residents have been tested, and nine positive tests were measured.

A total of 10,314 South Hadley residents have been tested for COVID-19 this year, and the town’s positivity percentage is .45%.

This week, South Hadley was designated as a “green” community, meaning that there were less than four cases per 100,000 residents. The spread of COVID-19 in town has been worse, but Sullivan was unhappy with the mark nonetheless.

“Last week, as you may recall, we were gray, which is where we want to be,” he said.

Surrounding communities including Holyoke, Springfield, Sunderland and Amherst are all categorized as red, the most significant color, which represents at least eight positive test results per 100,000 residents.

Last month, South Hadley entered red territory. Sullivan is optimistic that the town will avoid reclaiming the designation, but his concern level has risen after observing the aforementioned communities.

“This would be a precautionary tale for Hampden and Hampden/Hampshire County,” said Sullivan.

Sullivan continued on to voice his support of BioBot data, which is determined

from COVID-19 testing in sewage. Bio-Bot analytics analyze biological data from sewers in an effort to identify the presence of the virus in a community before it spreads; Sullivan did not share the town’s BioBot statistics.

Severe storm last week

At the tail end of his report, Sullivan addressed the storm that passed through South Hadley last Wednesday. More than 2,000 South Hadley Electric Light Dept. customers were left without power, amounting to nearly a third of all homes and businesses.

“In a cooperative effort the DPW and SHELDED worked to remove trees with the common goal of restoring power to everyone,” said Sullivan. “While some towns have homes still without power a week later it is hard to calculate the value and talent of your municipal light department in South Hadley.”

Unfortunately, strong winds caused a tree to land on the north side fence of the newly opened South Hadley Dog Park. Fortunately, the incident has not made the park inaccessible.

“It fell in such a way that it acts as a natural fence and therefore we were able to proceed with the opening,” said Sullivan. “The DPW has it on a long list of parks and properties which we need to address fallen limbs. They are moving at the speed of safety and we appreciate the public’s understanding.”

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Lunar crater

7. Upstate NY airport (abbr.)

10. Fruit

12. Seventh avatar of Vishnu

13. Organism that grows without air

14. Heals

15. A book has one

16. Open

17. Twitch

18. Plant of the mint family

19. Soon

21. Witch

22. Long, mournful complaint

27. Killer clown film

28. Keeps us occupied

33. Influential

lawyer

34. Formation of concepts

36. Insecticide

37. Swiss river

38. Actress Lucy

39. Unit of g-force

40. Can repel attackers

41. Essential oil used as perfume

44. Cut into small pieces

45. Mexican agricultural worker

48. Best pitchers

49. Benign tumors

50. Danish krone

51. Looms above

CLUES DOWN

1. Make a map of

2. Cain and ____

3. Dried-up

4. Corporate exec (abbr.)

5. Trading floor hand gesture

6. Strongly alkaline solution

7. Yemen capital

8. Military leader (abbr.)

9. Maintains possession of

10. Afternoon show

11. Imaginary being

12. Rearrange

14. Holy person or sage

17. ____ Mahal

18. Backbone

20. Brooklyn hoopster

23. Intervened

24. Extremely angry

25. Indicates position

26. Chinese surname

29. Potato state

30. When you think you'll get there

31. ____ Falls

32. Bullfighters

35. Born of

36. Small fishes

38. "Father of chemical warfare"

40. Waste matter

41. Skin disease

42. Scandinavian mythological god

43. ____ and haws

44. Villain

45. Tell on

46. Infidelity

47. Not old

Public Safety

New SRO joins South Hadley School District

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

SOUTH HADLEY – A new Student Resource Ofc. has been chosen to patrol the halls of South Hadley High School. Following the retirement of SRO Steve Fleming and the promotion of former SRO Doug Percy to Sgt., Ofc. Josh Helems was recently assigned to the position.

Helems made a formal introduction during the Oct. 5 virtual meeting of the School Committee. He expressed gratitude to the district for its warm welcome.

“I look forward to this opportunity to work with you guys and work with the schools as a whole,” said Helems. “This is going to be a new age of the SRO. I think it’s highly crucial to still have us in the school to have that ability to have the conversations with both the students, the administrators, the faculty, the staff and the parents; everybody involved.”

Police Chief Jennifer Gundersen also spoke during the meeting, praising Helems for his personality and professionalism.

“Josh is about the dialogue; that is my observation,” said Gundersen. “He is very deliberate; he wants to understand the minutia of a situation. One of his strengths is his ability to deescalate situations. For me, Josh is that calming presence.”

Helems will soon complete his seventh year as a member of the department.

Gundersen commended his ability to be compassionate and thoughtful during difficult situations.

“Josh is very determined. He is such a hard worker and is so committed to the South Hadley community. I know he is going to be committed to working with this community and working with the leadership of the school,” said Gundersen.

Helems will serve as Fleming’s replacement at the high school. Percy was stationed at Michael E. Smith Middle School, but it is not yet clear if a SRO will be positioned there.

“Ofc. Percy did a great job with Ofc. Fleming. When Ofc. Fleming retired the town offered to pick up both positions for the SROs,” said Interim Superintendent Diana Bonnevill. “Then COVID hit, and the budget hit, which is why there’s only one SRO at this time, but I think that’s negotiable depending on need and budget on the town’s side and ours.”

Gundersen recently met with the administrative team at Michael E. Smith Middle School and Town Administrator Michael Sullivan to discuss the prospects of assigning a SRO to the building. She was encouraged by the conversation.

“They’d be excited for the opportunity to have that position filled as well as soon as possible. If all the stars align that middle school role is also a very important position,” said Gundersen. Helems has been in the law enforcement profession for nearly a decade-and-a-half, but

the SRO position will be new to him.

“It will be a little bit of a learning curve for me, but I think it’s nothing out of my realm. It’s just something that’s going to take a little bit of time,” said Helems. “Through the SRO position, it’s a great time to be able to mend whatever issues and fences that may be broken.”

Helems acknowledged he was assuming the position during a time of many uncertainties that range from race relations to the era of online learning. He added that hacking and bullying have already been reported during Zoom courses; Helems is prepared to address any bully who hides behind a “faceless camera.”

Helems began working inside of the high school this week. He will work on Mondays and Thursdays until Nov. 4 when he’ll go up to three days a week; beginning in January, he’ll be stationed at the high school fulltime.

School Committee Chair Kyle Belanger said he was thrilled to have Helems onboard. During last Monday’s meeting, he thanked Helems for stepping up.

“I want to extend my authentic thanks for giving voice to just where we are historically and mentioning that this is a time of transition and that there are racial issues and a racial divide,” said Belanger. “It predates us and will likely postdate us, but as a parent of a child of color, I want to extend my deepest thanks for giving voice to that.”

Eversource reminds public of financial assistance programs

SPRINGFIELD – As the COVID-19 pandemic continues and Massachusetts relaxes restrictions, Eversource is reminding customers of the options and solutions available to support them during this uncertain time. The energy company maintains various ways to assist customers, including tips to help save money and energy, low-income assistance programs, as well as a new extended payment plan that allows customers up to 12 months to pay any past-due balances.

“We’ve all adjusted to a new normal, and we’re here to help any customer facing financial hardship or uncertainty,” said Eversource Senior Vice President and Chief Customer Officer Penni Conner. “We recognize how challenging these times are and remain committed to supporting our customers as we navigate through this uncharted territory. Any customer who may have had a difficult time paying their energy bill because of the pandemic can take advantage of one of our flexible payment arrangements to help them pay down any balances that may have accrued over the past few months.”

The extended payment plan is available to any customer with a past

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GCAM seeks volunteers for sports coverage

GRANBY – Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, school districts around the country, including Granby, had to make the decision to either limit or not allow any spectators to local high school games.

GCAM is stepping up to the plate and will be live-streaming games for those who won't be able to go because of restrictions.

However, GCAM can't solely do this alone and are asking the Granby community for help.

"We are looking for volunteers who are willing to operate cameras catching every moment, be producers working behind the scenes, and people who would be interested in announcing games," wrote GCAM Director Alex LaMarche in a press release.

If you are interested, contact LaMarche at director@granbymedia.com.

131st Annual chicken pie supper to go

GRANBY – The Church of Christ's 131 annual chicken pie dinner will be to go this year.

The dinner will be on Saturday, Oct. 17 from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Church of Christ on Route 202 in Granby.

Adults are \$12. Children six to 10 years \$5, children five and under are free. Call 413-563-0174 for advance tickets.

The menu is as follows:

- Chicken pie
- Mashed potatoes
- Gravy
- Boiled onions
- Squash
- Cranberry sauce
- Apple crisp

Garden club meeting emphasizes importance of native plants

SPRINGFIELD – The Springfield Garden Club October program, "Why We Care About Native Plants" featuring Dan Jaffe, on Friday, Oct. 16, at 12 p.m. will be presented via Zoom.

In an abundance of caution and thanks to the help of technology, the lecture will be broadcast via Zoom. Current Springfield Garden Club Members will receive information on accessing the lecture and guests can request access information by emailing spfldgardenclub@gmail.com.

Dan Jaffe is a well-known horticulturist, propagator and landscape designer. He earned a degree in botany from University of Maine, and an advanced certificate in Native Plant Horticulture and Design from the New England Wild Flower Society. He is currently the staff photographer, horticulturalist and propagator for Norcross Wildlife Sanctuary.

Prior to joining Norcross Wildlife Sanctuary, Jaffe was the senior plant propagator at Garden in the Woods. He is also the co-author of Native Plants for New England Gardens, which features his captivating photographs.

Jaffe will discuss how to select and combine the right species for specific site conditions, and how this community-oriented approach can be applied to plantings of all sizes. Join to learn how to create healthy, resilient plant communities that are beautiful and ecologically vibrant.

Questions for Jaffe will be accepted through the "chat" function of Zoom and will be answered in real time.

Guests are welcome but reservations must be made in advance (spfldgardenclub@gmail.com) and there is a \$5 guest fee.

For more information on this and other Springfield Garden Club events go to www.gcfm.org/springfieldgardenclub or visit us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/SpringfieldMAGardenClub/>

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due balance. Residential customers must enroll Dec. 31, 2020. While customers are not currently at risk of losing service as Eversource continues to suspend all customer disconnections, this flexible payment arrangement also provides an important option for customers.

Here's how the COVID-19 Payment Program works:

- Customers can pay past-due balances in flexible payment plans for up to 12 months
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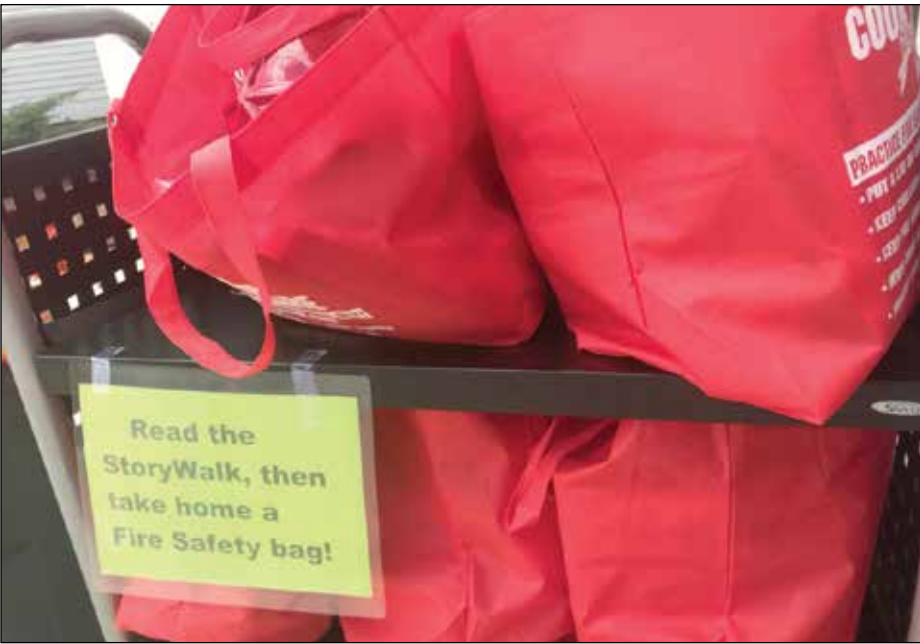
Additionally, Eversource is enhancing assistance for low-income customers through several additional programs:

- New Start: Eliminate portions of your overdue balance by making payments on time each month
- Fuel Assistance: If you heat with electric or gas, this program can help pay a portion of your bill
- Discount Rate: Income-eligible customers may qualify for a discount off their monthly utility bill for customers in need
- The Good Neighbor Energy Fund: Assistance for Massachusetts residents experiencing a temporary crisis which has left them without enough money

to pay their utility bill, but do not qualify for federally funded assistance programs. Good Neighbor funds are available through your local Salvation Army Assistance Center.

In addition to the protections extended and special programs available to residential customers during the pandemic, Eversource is similarly offering support to its business customers. The moratorium on utility service disconnections for Massachusetts businesses ended on September 1 and beginning today, Eversource will mail disconnect notices to qualifying businesses. Business owners can avoid disconnection by enrolling in a payment plan and taking advantage of flexible payment arrangements and energy efficiency solutions. Eligible small commercial customers that enroll in and complete a payment plan can also take advantage of a new arrearage forgiveness program and receive two bill credits equal to their April and May 2020 bill charges.

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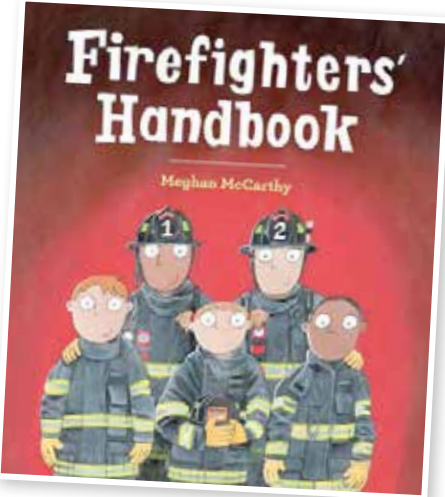
There is a tote with fire prevention goodies for children outside of the Granby Public Library while supplies last.

It's Fire Prevention Month at GPL

GRANBY – Come to the Granby Library and read the outdoor story walk, "The Firefighters Handbook" by Meghan McCarthy, then pick up a new tote with fire prevention goodies for kids of all ages provided by the Granby Fire Department through Oct. 16.

The Story Walk is outdoors, always available. Totes are available during open library hours. A limited number of totes will be available near the library entrance when the library is closed, while supplies last.

Library staff wanted to extend a "thank you" to the Granby Fire Department.



The story walk outside of the Granby Public Library will be "Firefighters handbook" by Meghan McCarthy.

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Opinion

IN THE GARDEN

My favorite flowering bulbs and why

This is the first year in a long time that I won't be planting spring flowering bulbs. I want to, in fact I had more than one internet shopping cart close to the check-out point. But alas, the frugal side of me won, and I closed the cover of the laptop before reaching for the credit card. You see, I already have numerous bulbs in the yard. But for those of you embarking on the wonderful world of spring bulbs, here are a few tips to ensure your success followed by a few of my all-time favorite varieties.

IN THE GARDEN



Roberta McQuaid

The general rule of thumb for planting spring flowering bulbs is to sink them into the ground at a depth of two times the height of the bulb. For example: If a tulip bulb is three inches from its point to its base, then plant it six inches deep. The same rule determines how far apart you plant bulbs from one another, only this time it goes by width. Therefore, a crocus corm that is only one inch wide should be planted two inches apart from its closest neighbor. Nearly all gardeners agree that spring-flowering bulbs look most appealing when planted in clumps, rather than planted singly or in rows.

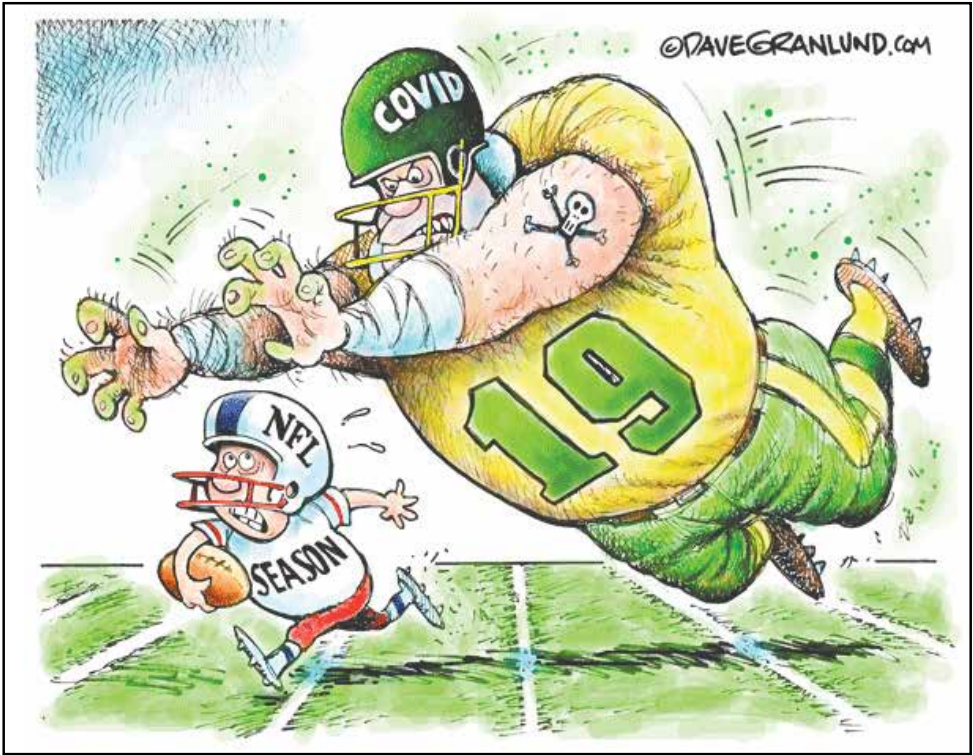
For major bulbs such as tulips, narcissus or hyacinth, this translates into groups of at least three. For so-called minor bulbs like crocus, galanthus and muscari, I'd plant five at the very minimum. If deer eat the tops of your emerging tulips or crocus, consider planting hyacinth and narcissus instead. Rodents often times find crocus bulbs yummy. Dissuade them by filling the bottom of the planting hole with sharp gravel. You can also try planting them in little cages made of half-inch galvanized hardware cloth.

Now for some of my favorites: 'Barrett Browning,' is a chart-topping daffodil with a creamy-white petals and a bright orange cup. It's a dependable bloomer in the garden and also does well indoors. Try forcing some of these in a pot for successful indoor blooms after a few weeks in the refrigerator. 'Thalia,' an entirely white daffodil, is an heirloom and known as the orchid narcissus. It's very fragrant and prolific. Poeticus daffodils have white petals, a red-rimmed "eye" and are unusually fragrant. Speaking of fragrant, many of the double daffodils sport a heady scent and 'Sir Winston Churchill' is no exception. An orange/yellow center is surrounded by numerous ivory petals.

Two of my favorite tulips hail from the single early class. Typically this group are short-stemmed, ranging in height from 12 to 18 inches and have egg-shaped blooms. Treasured heirlooms 'Couleur Cardinal' with its deep red flowers and 'Keizerskroon,' a red and yellow bicolor, are both single early tulips. Double early tulips bloom in late March/early April and come in a variety of pastel and bright colors. Durable stems top off at 10-12" tall. Try growing the yellow cultivar 'Monte Carlo' with an underplanting of blue hyacinth. Just stunning! One of my favorite all-time orange tulips is 'Gudoshnik,' a double-late tulip. Conjure up deep orange, butterscotch, rust and even sulfur and you will still be short a few shades when trying to describe this peony-like tulip to your gardening friends.

Either you love or you hate hyacinths. Some folks call them too stiff for the garden. Others say the fragrance is too strong for inside the house. This poor flower can't win. But for those of us who are fans, I say the more the merrier. We often see hyacinths in pastels, pinks and blues. Less common are the yellow and orange shades. Try 'City of Haarlem,' for a true light yellow or 'Gipsy Queen,' for a lovely tone of salmon.

All of this talk about spring flowering bulbs makes me want to open up the laptop to a certain shopping cart. You only live once, right? And having a few more flowers in the yard isn't such a bad thing, is it?



GUEST COLUMN

Elections are fundamental

By Lee H. Hamilton
Guest columnist

Elections are the hallmark of representative democracy. As a nation, we put a great deal of faith in elections, and the voting process. We abide by their results. Elections are fundamental to our system of government. We commit to a peaceful transfer of power to the election winners. Elections are the way we do business and make many key decisions.

We have hundreds of elections to choose candidates for public office. They occur at all levels of government: municipal, county, district and state as well as national. We have primary elections within political parties and elections to choose leaders of corporations and nongovernmental organizations.

Just as we cast ballots in elections, our core institutions rely on voting. The U.S. House of Representatives and the Senate enact legislation by voting. Supreme Court decisions are approved by voting among the justices. Your local city council or township board votes to approve budgets and tax rates.

Elections generally reflect the principle of majority rule, but not always. Sometimes a plurality of voters decides, as when an

election includes multiple candidates, and no one wins a majority. However, we agree on the rules by which elections are conducted and accept their results.

Representative government works because of our support for elected leaders. We choose, as a society, to be governed by them. It's frightening to think of governmental decisions being made by a handful of unelected people.

Elections serve at least four important functions. First, they allow us to express policy preferences across a wide range of issues. Voters try to push government in certain directions. We use elections, for example, to signal our leaders how to manage the economy or conduct foreign affairs. Second, and most obviously, we use elections to choose our leaders. Candidates work hard to get our support, but, ultimately, the voters decide. We support the individuals we want in office and the party whose ideals and values align with our own. Third, elections help us enforce accountability, which is essential to democratic government. Elections are the way we ensure our government officials answer for their actions. We use the vote to express approval

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GUEST COLUMN

In My Backyard

By Ellenor Downer

I have a small flock of six white-throated sparrows feeding on the ground under my feeder. As the name implies, the male has a white throat, a gray breast with faint streaks. The crown is dark with buff or white central stripe. The eyebrow is white or tan with a yellow mark in front.

Females have less bold pattern on the crown, grayer throat, duller yellow before the eye and more streaking on the breast. The immature sparrows look like the female. There are two morphs of this species, white and tan, based on the color of the eyebrows. Breeding pair usually contains one bird from each morph.

White-throated sparrows feed on the ground and eat weed seeds, grain, fruit and insects. At feeders, they eat cracked corn, sunflower seed and millet from tray feeders or scattered on the ground. They inhabit coniferous and mixed woods and brushy areas. Their song is two whistled notes followed



by higher, quavering notes like "sweet sweet Canada Canada Canada." Calls are "tseet" when birds are in flocks and "pink" in alarm.

The female lays four to six blue-green eggs with dark marks in a cuplike nest of grasses lined with hair or rootlets placed on the ground under a small tree or shrub. They summer in Canada.

Juncos

The dark eyed juncos are back. They are one of my favorite winter birds and I love to

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A QUOTE

of NOTE

“There’s always excitement in the air, especially when it comes to a presidential election. You don’t just all of a sudden start planning for this a couple of months in advance. There’s always a year of prep for this in anticipation.”

Carlene Hamlin,
Town Clerk

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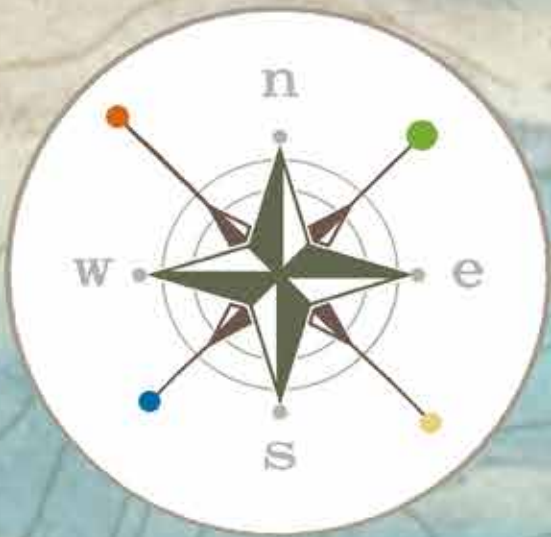
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New senior center taking shape

By Dalton Zbierski
Staff Writer

SOUTH HADLEY – South Hadley’s seniors have every reason to be excited. Work on a state-of-the-art senior center is progressing, as the structure’s walls are now visible to all those who walk or drive down Dayton St.

“It’s starting to have that real building shape to it; it’s moving right along,” said Leslie Hennessey, executive director of the South Hadley Council on Aging. “The general contractor has installed the metal stud exterior walls and roof trusses and is installing the exterior sheathing and weather barrier.”

As of Oct. 13, the \$9.8 million project is on schedule and under budget. The building is expected to open to the public early next spring.

Even the weather has been favorable to construction this summer and fall; limited rainfall has enabled construction workers to work the building almost every day. Hennessey is rooting for a warm winter that will allow the progression to continue.

To date, most of the construction has occurred outside, which has limited the possible spread of COVID-19, helping workers to perform safely and expediently. The new facility will boast safety features that were added in response to the pandemic.

“They put new policies in place for COVID protection; they’re following the Mass.gov regulations,” said Hennessey. “As soon as we realized that COVID wasn’t going to be just a six-week virus, we gathered together a small committee to look at the building and see if there were changes we could make. It’s become so much a part of our lives now; we’re preparing for the new normal.”

Automatic paper towel dispensers in the bathrooms and Plexiglas shields in the café and reception area are several

of the installations that the the pandemic influenced. Numerous sanitation dispensers will also be prevalent in the new facility.

“We’re trying to look at it as what do we really need to put in place; let’s think through it and do it judiciously and work with the OPN and the architect on that,” said Hennessey.

The building’s multi-purpose room will be large enough to host programs that adhere to social distancing standards. Hennessey and her colleagues are focused on safely welcoming seniors back into the center.

“We know [the pandemic] isn’t going to last forever,” she said. “It’s a moment in time for us, and we’re getting through it. We may be wearing masks for another year but, as a town, we’re doing very well as far as keeping our numbers down for COVID-19.”

The COA is currently operating on a temporary basis at St. Theresa’s Parish at 9 E. Parkview Dr. While COA staff inhabit the church each weekday, residents are currently prohibited from entering the space.

Hennessey knows for sure that excitement is growing, as the new facility continues to rise above the remnants of the old center on Dayton St. COA staff continues to phone its members, making approximately 90 calls per week.

“They’re actually telling us what’s happening with the building,” said Hennessey. “They’ll let us know that they drove by and that the trusses are going up or that they see the masonry is being done. It’s funny now; they’re reporting back to us. It feels very much like they own this project as well; they’re another set of eyes on the project.”

Hearing the excitement of the seniors only serves to boost the morale of COA staffers. Hennessey described the benefits of what she considers to be a highly rewarding profession.



The new senior center on Dayton St. is quickly taking shape.

Photos by Dalton Zbierski



The new South Hadley senior center is under budget and on time. The building is expected to open to the public next spring.

“It is everything we need to keep us going,” said Hennessey. “We all got into this business of social and human services because we thrive in an atmosphere

where there are people and where we can affect daily life and be a support network. We miss that interaction; those friendships and relationships that we have.”

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and disapproval.

A fourth function, I believe, is that elections confer legitimacy to our system of representative government, giving our leaders the authority to act through the consent of the governed.

responsibility for officials to act on our behalf. In the United States, the world’s oldest constitutional democracy, we expect that elections will be free and honest and that votes will be tallied without prejudice or manipulation. Because of the importance of elections, we should be concerned about voter turnout. Only about 55% of eligible adults vote in U.S. presidential elections; turnout is much higher in most other advanced democracies.

New developments have emerged to shake our faith in elections. Russian forces have tried to influence American voters. Russian, Chinese and Iranian hackers

have reportedly tried to hack election-related computer accounts. Others have questioned the validity of voting by mail and suggested, without evidence, that the election may be rigged.

The integrity of the electoral process is tremendously important. Free, honest and transparent elections are essential for maintaining the public’s faith in government. Abraham Lincoln famously asked whether a nation conceived and dedicated to the principle that all people are created equal could long endure. His answer was that America needed a “new birth of freedom” to deliver on its prom-

ise. Free and fair elections, conducted in accordance with accepted rules and procedures, are the way we ensure that freedom is continually reborn. We need to treasure and protect them.

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watch them. I saw two in my yard this weekend. I also noticed a small flock fly up from the side of the road while driving. They will spend the winter here and head back to the tundra in the spring.

Flying turkeys

Saturday I saw a wild turkey take off to roost for the night. A second turkey followed the other one. The turkeys ran on the road, took flight and headed to the night roost in a tree. I was surprised how fast they can run. I probably saw the last two birds of a larger flock take flight.

I usually see wild turkeys almost daily as I travel. The number varies from a few Toms to flocks up to a dozen of hens and their almost grown young.

Gray catbirds

I am still seeing the gray catbirds in my yard. They winter along the east coast to Florida and the Gulf States.

Birds at the feeder

Black-capped chickadees, white-breasted nuthatches, tufted titmice, blue jays, cardinals and downy woodpeckers come to the feeder daily. I am feeding shelled peanuts and they are a favorite of the birds. The sparrows eat the millet the other birds drop on the ground.

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This funding is for a regional microenterprise business assistance grant program that includes the towns (and businesses) of Easthampton, Granby, Hadley, Hatfield, Southampton, South Hadley and Westhampton.

Grants of up to \$10,000 will be made available for eligible microenterprise businesses that have been adversely impacted by COVID-19. Regardless of whether you think you have an eligible microenterprise, please take a few moments to answer the following questions. All information you provide here is strictly confidential and will be kept confidential in the Springfield office of the PVPC. If you have questions, please contact Ted Harvey at 413-781-6045 or tharvey@pvpc.org.

The first step for all interest-

ed microenterprise businesses is to complete and submit this survey – https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfe6ShS_OuNefS0p-w w U_r U x 9 D X S j X Z 7 G 9 D - 2 j y A 4 U M T w o S x d z w / v i e w f o r m Further guidance and an application form will be made available after the surveys have been reviewed by PVPC.

SOUTH HADLEY LIBRARY UPDATES

SOUTH HADLEY – The South Hadley Public Libraries have checked out over 6,600 items last month. Although the main part of the building remains closed to browsing, the amount of items and eBooks being checked out continues to be strong. The following are updates from the South Hadley Public Libraries.

SH Libraries go fine free

At their Oct. 5 meeting, the Board of Library Trustees voted to remove overdue fines at both SHPL and the Gaylord Memorial Library. This follows their vote last year removing fines on children’s and teen materials. The action was taken as both a reflection of the uncertain times being faced and the documented impact that overdue fines have as a barrier to library access for lower income families. So, if you have any overdue books lying around, there has never been a better time to return them - just drop them into the book return slots outside the front doors.

Gatehouse Writers go online

The Gatehouse Writers, the library’s inhouse writing group, will resume their meetings online beginning Friday, Oct. 23. The Gatehouse Writers group is a supportive peer-led environment open to all levels and styles. The group philosophy is a simple one: every person is a writer, and every writer deserves a safe environment in which to experiment, learn and develop their craft. This group is for ages 18 and up. Pre-registration for the Zoom meetings will take place via the library’s online calendar beginning the week of Oct. 12.

Children’s monthly craft

Each month the library will offer a take and make children’s craft. This month, are the kids excited about Halloween? Their costumes may be ready but they need something to decorate the house! Register your children online (kids up to age 10) for the ‘take & make’ craft for October, then pick up your bag with all the supplies needed to make a pony bead pumpkin.

Story Stroll at Gaylord

The October Story Stroll book is *Be You!* by Peter H. Reynolds. Story Strolls are a fun way to enjoy reading while spending time outdoors. Community members are invited to visit the Gaylord Memorial Library and walk a meandering path around the grounds as you read the featured book. This is a self-guided tour that families can enjoy at their leisure. Craft bags will be available on Thursdays and Fridays from 12 to 4 p.m. (while supplies last & weather permitting). Click here for more information.

Online program registration

Registration links for many for many of the library’s upcoming and ongoing programs can be found on the website by clicking here. This page includes adult speakers and presentations, children’s virtual storytimes and craft projects, and teen programs such as crafts and the monthly Subscription Box service. Registration links for programs at the Gaylord library are found on the online calendar.

Lobby Service

“Take out” service is available in the South Hadley Public Library lobby, Monday through Friday during regular hours. Items can be requested online or by phone and patrons will be contacted when the materials are ready for them. You must wear a mask when visiting the library. Here are the specific directions:

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New items are added every week. Subscribe to the *Wowbrary* email newsletter to see what’s new: click here to subscribe to wowbrary

Home delivery

Delivery of library items from the Gaylord Memorial Library is available to South Hadley residents who have health or transportation issues that keep them from the library. This service allows patrons to have materials selected and delivered on a monthly basis. Homebound delivery recipients must be home or have a household member available to receive the contactless delivery at the scheduled date/time. For more information, click here.

From town partners

COA book club: The library is partnering with the Council on Aging to select and provide books that lend themselves to great book discussions. SHPL will provide access to print, audio, and eBooks for each month’s book selection. Items can be picked up in the library lobby (just ask for the COA book club selection). The October discussion will take place online via Zoom on Wednesday, Oct. 28 to discuss *The Ocean at the End of the Lane* by Neil Gaiman. Seniors with transportation issues can use the Gaylord Library’s homebound delivery service. Kerry Ouimette from the COA will kick off and facilitate the club; they are looking for a COA member to facilitate future meetings. Call 413-538-5042 or email Kerry Ouimette for more information.

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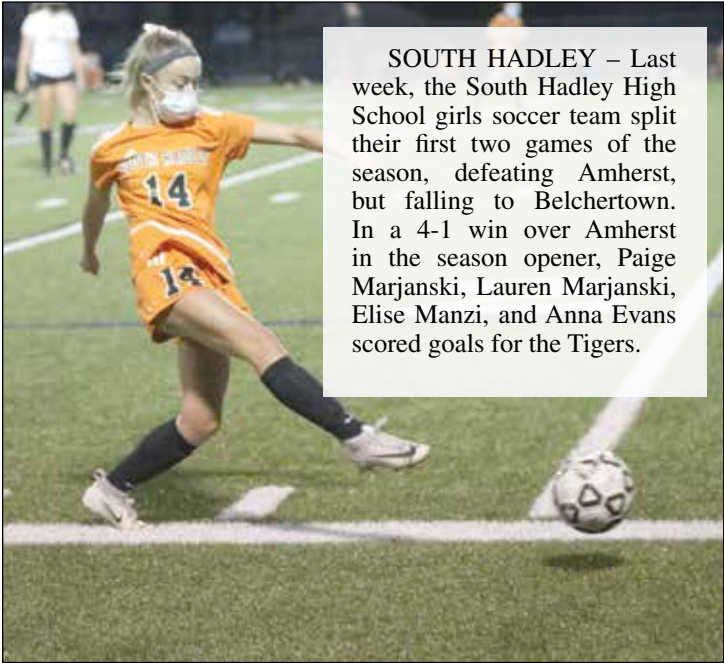
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South Hadley splits pair

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Gianna Roy keeps the ball moving up the field.



Kacie Levrault tries to find a different path as she is pursued by a defender.



Anna Evans works her way around an opponent.



Emma Sanford makes a pass past midfield.



Lauren Marjanski makes a quick pass back.

SOUTH HADLEY – Last week, the South Hadley High School girls soccer team split their first two games of the season, defeating Amherst, but falling to Belchertown. In a 4-1 win over Amherst in the season opener, Paige Marjanski, Lauren Marjanski, Elise Manzi, and Anna Evans scored goals for the Tigers.



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Molly Zubruski quickly passes the ball inbounds.

B-Town takes care of Granby

By Tim Peterson
Sports Correspondent

GRANBY—Putting the ball into the back of the net wasn't a major problem for the Belchertown Lady Orioles in the season opening match. Led by juniors Avery Klingensmith and Alexa La-Flamme, the Lady Orioles coasted to a 9-1 victory over the Granby Lady Rams on October 5. It was the first time the two girls' soccer teams had faced each other at Granby High School in a couple of years.

The duo of Klingensmith and LaFlamme combined to score seven goals.

"It's always nice to have players who can score goals. Avery and Alexa got into a groove offensively," said Belchertown head coach Kyle Thibeault. "We also have a few other players who can score as well. It was a very good way to begin our season."

It was a homecoming game for Thibeault, who was the Granby Athletic Director a couple of years ago. He was also a teacher in Granby before becoming the Director of the Belchertown Recreation Department.

Because of Covid-19, Belchertown and Granby were placed in the same division. The other teams that they'll be facing this fall are Amherst, South Hadley, Monson, Ware, Pathfinder, and Palmer.

"Our competition is a little bit different this year," Thibeault said. "We just need to

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Megan Carey tries to head up the middle pursued by an opponent.

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Madi Mendoza winds up for the free hit.



Maddie Foley starts moving up the field.



Lexi Scott fights for possession.

Tigers scores draw with Falcons

SOUTH HADLEY – The South Hadley High School field hockey team tied a rematch with Minnechaug 2-2 last Monday afternoon. Camryn Bernier and Bella Alcaraz scored the goals for South Hadley while Kaitlyn Lynes made nine saves in goal.

Help feature your student-athletes

By Gregory A. Scibelli
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The fall season is underway and Turley Publications has been back out covering the action for the first two weeks.

We continue to ask for help on this season in order to bring the best coverage we can possibly manage and fill our pages with names and color.

We know that fans will be limited to the home crowds, but that is where you all come in.

We have a limited number of staff to start the school year due to the pandemic, and while we strive to get to as many games as possible, we cannot get to everywhere.

If you are a parent, coach, or even player, and you have information or photographs to share,

we definitely want to hear from you.

If you don't see one of our photographers at a game, please feel free to send your own action photos of games in order to bolster our coverage. If you are interested in regularly submitted photos, please do contact us.

Otherwise, we would love to hear from anyone who reports scores, details, and any milestones that occur during this unprecedented season. Please be sure the information you provide us is accurate and check with coaches, if necessary, before submitting.

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Buffone takes Street Stock Open at World Series event

THOMPSON, Conn. — Belchertown, MA's Christopher Buffone was both good and lucky on his way to the \$1,000 win in the Street Stock Open at Connecticut's Thompson Speedway Motorsports Park on Friday, October 9. Buffone inherited the lead with less than two laps remaining in the 25-lap feature and took the victory on the first night of the 58th Annual Sunoco World Series of Speedway Racing.

The youngster had surrendered the lead to Pascoag, RI's Chad Baxter on the 17th circuit. With laps winding down, it seemed Buffone could only watch Baxter drive off into the night. However, as the field entered turn one after getting the two-to-go signal, Baxter's engine went up in a cloud of smoke. His loss was Buffone's gain as the latter sped to a thrilling victory in his first-ever start at Thompson Speedway.

Incredibly, it was the third time one of Buffone's challengers had been waylaid by mechanical troubles. Buffone earned the pole by charging from 12th to 4th in his qualifying race, netting him a +8 under the "plus-minus" system. After leading the first seven laps, Buffone gave way to Candia, NH's Jimmy Renfrew Jr., who came from seventh on the grid to sweep underneath him.

Coming out of turn two on the 10th lap, though, Renfrew's car shut down, handing the lead back to Buffone. A caution then came out for an unrelated incident involving Ed Flanagan Jr.'s stalled car. Renfrew's teammate Alby Ovitt, a many-time 8-cylinder Street Stock winner, lined up alongside Buffone for the restart. But Ovitt shut down as well after the green, taking another contender out of the running.

After trading some paint on the next restart, Buffone led a five car breakaway with Baxter, Corey Hutchings, Devon McConologue, and Kyle Gero. Baxter made his move on the 17th circuit, sticking his nose out front and then clearing Buffone a lap later. The final yellow flew with five laps to go when Flanagan again stalled his automobile. Baxter easily handled Buffone when the green flag flew, but his engine could not go the distance, letting Buffone snatch the win.

Hutchings grabbed second followed by McConologue and Gero. Christopher Smith, Corey Fanning, Shawn Monahan, Jon Porter, Paul Williams, and Don Perry completed the top-10.

Like Buffone, Sterling, CT's Jared Roy also made the most of some good fortune to get the win in the Thompson Mini Stock feature. Roy took the green flag in fourth for the 20-lap main event. Entering turn two on the first lap, though, polesitter Dave Trudeau drifted high and looped it. Second- and third-place starters Tommy Silva and Steve Michalski made hard contact trying to avoid him, sidelining both for the night.

As a result, Roy suddenly found himself in the lead. He darted away from the pack once, then did so again following another yellow on



Submitted photo
Christopher Buffone, of Belchertown, was the winner in the Street Stock event last weekend.

lap nine for Jeff Mazzella's spin. Trudeau tore back through the field and tried to chase down Roy in the closing laps. He could get no closer than three car lengths, though, as Roy capped the season with a victory.

Trudeau finished second. Chris Taylor came in third while Dave Trudeau Jr. topped a dogfight with Russell Barboza for the fourth spot.

Ben Levangie of Plymouth, MA went wire-to-wire to win the 15-lap Vintage Modified Open feature. Hauppauge, NY's Mark Miller moved up to second early and was gaining on Levangie at the halfway mark.

However, as the field came down the backstretch for the ninth time, Miller's engine expired and set him to the pits. It was smooth sailing from there for Levangie as he won by half a straightaway over Unionville, CT's Gary Byington. Bobby Gegetsas completed the podium.

Rick MacDowell of Sheffield, MA held off a snarling pack of Senior Tour Auto Racers Late Models to win the 15-lap feature. MacDowell got the jump over Nassau, NY's Robert Keefner following the race's only caution at lap five when Bob Seward shut down in turn three. He then led a multi-way battle down the stretch with five cars under a blanket at the front.

Housatonic, MA's Joseph Keefner chased MacDowell over the final laps, but could not do anything with him and crossed the finish line in second right on MacDowell's bumper. Bob Guyon, Joe Henderson, and Gary Moore rounded out the top-five.

Alan Zemla made the trip from Windham, ME worth the drive with a victory in the Senior Tour Auto Racers Modifieds. Zemla went nose to nose with Higganum, CT's Skip Swiantek throughout the 20-lap event as the top six ran door-to-door and bumper-to-bumper.

Swiantek poked a wheel out from entering turn three multiple times, but Zemla came back each time, beating him the checkered flag by a few feet. Thomas Trempe edged Gregg Massini for third with Darryl Dutch taking fifth.

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continue to play well in every game."

Belchertown junior goalkeeper Mabelle Bessette only had to make three saves in her first varsity start.

"I thought Mabelle played very well," Thibeault said. "She just made one mental mistake in today's game."

The Lady Rams, who lost to Lenox in the Western Mass. Division 4 finals last November, graduated eight starters from last year's squad. They had won the Western Mass. title the previous three years.

"We lost eight starters, so it's going to be a retooling season for us," said Granby head coach Bob Weaver. "We're very happy to be even playing soccer this year. We just want the players to keep improving in every game and it's just a great bunch of kids."

The first goal of the delayed regular season was scored by LaFlamme, who blasted a shot into the left corner past Granby senior goalkeeper Justice Delaney (17 saves). It was assisted by Klingensmith, who took over the spotlight during an eight-minute span in the middle of the second quarter.

Klingensmith began her scoring spree with an unassisted goal with 15:23 remaining in the first half.

Klingensmith then scored a breakaway goal, which increased the Lady Orioles lead to 4-0. She would complete her hat-trick with a shot into the left corner. Those two goals were assisted by senior Brooke Samborski, who has committed to play college soccer at the University of New Hampshire next year.

With 1:41 left in the first half, LaFlamme netted her second goal of the game, which was assisted by freshman Madysen LePage.

The Lady Orioles, who outshot the Lady Rams, 7-1 during the first 40 minutes, held a comfortable 5-0 halftime advantage.

Belchertown's lone goal of the third quarter was scored on a tap in by senior Erin Lucas.

With 7:11 remaining in the third quarter, Granby got on the scoreboard when junior Gabby Walz fired a shot into the right corner. Eighth grader Kelly Lynne Kennedy was credited with the assist and her first varsity point.



Photos by David Henry www.sweetdogphotos.com
Emily Vallee heads upfield with possession.

It was the only highlight for the home team, as the Lady Orioles scored three more times during the final twenty minutes of the match. Those goals were scored by LaFlamme, who finished with a team-high four goals, Klingensmith, and Samborski.

The Lady Orioles, who also defeated South Hadley, 6-3, last week, are scheduled to host the Lady Rams on Nov. 5. Klingensmith scored a pair of goals in that contest.



Briana Sosa tries to work around a defender.



Liberty Conlin sends a pass away.

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Girls on the Run launches fall season with several program options

Registration now open to help Western MA area girls stay active and healthy during pandemic

NORTHAMPTON - Girls on the Run Western Mass. is launching its sixth fall season and begins next week. GOTR is a leader in delivering evidence-based, life skills curriculum to girls of all abilities. Through more than 75 sites across the Western Mass. region has served more than 5,400 youth since it was founded in 2015. For the 2020-2021 school year, GOTR Western Mass. is offering a variety of programs to accommodate the changing and unpredictable school year due to the pandemic. Registration for the season is open at www.girlsontherunwesternma.org. "Our staff and coaches are ready to bring critical social-emotional programming Western Mass. girls at a time when they need it the most," said Alison Ber-

man, Council Director. "We have adapted based on the recommendations of local health officials and decisions of local governments and school districts. The 3 options that we are offering, in-person, hybrid and virtual make it possible for girls to stay active despite the pandemic. Our fluid model will work completely in-person, completely virtual or can seamlessly transition between the two as needed." GOTR is offering in-person teams, hybrid teams (in-person and virtual), and teams that are 100% virtual. GOTR programming is being delivered as in the past, with enhanced safety measures including physical distancing modifications and smaller teams. Should sites close, the in-programs will be easily transitioned to a virtual model, with lessons that mirror the in-person program. This fluid programming model ensures that participants will experience the social, emotional, and physical outcomes of the program while allowing local teams to adjust to changes in the school and community health guidelines throughout the season. All

virtual teams are also available for families that would prefer that option. Virtual fall programming is delivered by trained coaches in a safe virtual space, with lessons that mirror the in-person Girls on the Run or Heart & Sole program. Virtual programming will include physical activity and social-emotional learning, providing girls with an opportunity to still build meaningful connections with their peers and caring adult role models. This season GOTR WMA has partnered with many local recreation departments and the Hampshire Regional YMCA to provide in-person and hybrid programming. The Amherst LSSE, Northampton, South Hadley, Hadley, East Longmeadow and Wilbraham Recreation Departments are all new partners this season making it possible for Girls on the Run to be offered this fall. Girls on the Run is looking for a few more volunteers for their fall season. Volunteer coaches will receive the training and materials required to provide girls a safe, trauma-sensitive space to learn valuable life lessons and be active. Coaches

do not need to be runners. Berman says, "Together, we will find a way to motivate girls to nurture their physical and emotional health, no matter the circumstances." Registration is open now at www.girlsontherunwesternma.org. Financial assistance is available to all participants and no one is turned away for financial need.



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have said that amount of earth removal in the subdivision plan is extremely more than that required by ordinary construction. The proposed subdivision and the gravel mine are located on the primary recharge areas of the District 2 public water wells, sparking concerns over the project's potential impact on the water system that serves 6,000 residents. The public hearing on the definitive subdivision plan began almost a year ago, in November 2019, and was continued in normal in-person public hearings until the COVID-19 pandemic intervened in March. Virtual public hearings restarted in June and have continued through the summer and present time. The next continuation is set for Nov. 2. The virtual hearings have been recorded and shown live and are archived by South Hadley Community Television, Channel 15. Since virtual meetings have resumed, the Planning Board has sought answers from CCS about its intentions for developing the much bigger "lots" that comprise the vast majority of the 108-acre property outside the two one-acre-plus housing lots that require subdivision approval. Subdivision approval is not needed at this time for the seven other "lots" in the nine-lot proposal, but their inclusion in the plan could shield future development from zoning bylaws that changed after CCS's initial submission in 2019. CCS, in its Development Impact Statement wrote that, "The proposed subdivision will be constructed in one phase. Remaining portions of the property will be pursued for future development." Planning Board members allege the CCS has contradicted itself. "The term 'phase' appears to contradict what the applicant has been saying about this project - that what is before the Board is a single project - not the first phase of a multi-phased development. Therefore, the applicant (CCS) should

remove 'phase' from the description or submit a multi-phased plan for the Board to review," Board members have stated. The same alleged contradictions affect other aspects of the proposal including street design, traffic, storm water, underground water, earth mining, school impact, vegetative cover and open space. The company's consultant, Robert Levesque, has denied issuing contradictory statements. At last week's hearing continuation, Catherine Carr Lee, of 345 Hadley St., a homeowner and abutter to the proposed subdivision, expressed her concerns that the project, that would shave up to 50 feet of earth off the top off the hill across Route 47 from the family home, could cause flooding and other damage from water runoff. "Increased water runoff is of particular concern to us. We have two finished workshops in our basement," Lee said. "Much of our enjoyment of our property is in this work area, which is presently dry. It seems to us that increased runoff also significantly increases the chances that our basement, as well as our property in general, has a much higher potential to flood and sustain short and long terms water damage." Robert Pleasure, of Jewett Lane, in his comments at the Oct. 5 hearing, reported that a federal agency in late August had cited the gravel mine owner, Chicopee Concrete Services, for violations of mine health and safety regulations. More than a year ago, in August 2019, an inspector for the same federal agency, the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA), cited the company for failing to register its longstanding gravel mine with the agency. "What is proposed is an extension of the mining operation right to Route 47 ... and right across the street from people who are below grade from this massive earth removal that has not been justified, that is not necessary, and that is not incidental (or essential to home construction)," Pleasure said. Several zoning and general town by-

laws limit earth removal to that which is "incidental" to construction. Pleasure has noted the goal in town bylaws that development be compatible with its surroundings, and, at the hearing, disputed the developer's claim that an industrial mining operation could safely coexist in the same property as residential housing. Pleasure has called attention to the stated purpose of the Massachusetts Subdivision Control Act. Local bylaws must conform to the subdivision act that, according to the act's stated purpose, "has been enacted for the purpose of protecting the safety, convenience and welfare of the inhabitants of the cities and towns in which it is, or may hereafter be, put in effect by regulating the laying out and construction of ways in subdivisions providing access to the several lots therein." Federal records show that a MSHA inspector on Aug. 28, 2020, found the mine operator to have failed to comply with six federal regulations, and accordingly assessed fines for those violations. The inspector cited the company's failure to protect people from potential runaway earth removal equipment, hazardous chemicals, machinery, electrical connections and provide first aid equipment and expertise to treat those injured by such hazards. Weston & Sampson, a consulting firm hired by the Planning Board at the applicant's expense, conducted a peer review that sought answers regarding the hazards of possible crushing and blasting activity at the site during construction. Elaborating on the peer reviewer's comments, Pleasure stated at last week's public hearing that besides crushing and blasting there are other hazards that will not be so easy to fence off from the proposed nearby housing. "For example, one of the standards under the mine safety act deals with the braking of self propelled equipment. Braking has to be of such a nature that it can withstand regular working loads

that are regular on that particular site and withstand those loads on the grades that those pieces of equipment are operating on," he said. "So, if you have a self-propelled item of equipment that is going down a grade and the brakes are not adequate there is no telling where it is going to run and including the residences in areas not where only children are but where adults are there as well." Pleasure also noted another citation for deficiencies in labeling and handling hazardous chemicals on the mine site, especially since it is located in the primary recharge area for District 2 public water supply. "There are standards in the mine safety act where the handling of hazardous chemicals, particularly labels so everybody knows what's in a can and in what bottle hazardous chemicals are on the site. They have to be properly labeled," Pleasure said. Other federal citations faulted substandard machine guard, electrical, training and first-aid standards. CCS representative Robert Levesque objected to Pleasure's remarks, and claimed that gravel business issues are completely separate from the subdivision the company is proposing. "It's entirely relevant for me to come forward and say, one - they were just cited six different ways in ways that ...are not protective that relates specifically to the water by bringing in chemical hazards onto the site and not properly labeling them," Pleasure said. "This is a highly hazardous industry and those pieces of equipment are going down grades and very specifically they were cited only approximately five weeks ago for violating that standard. So in addition to the original citation for never having filed in the first place, as a mine, they are an industrial mine." Pleasure added that besides mine workers, the hazards could endanger anyone who comes onto the site, firemen, policemen, children and adults that live there.

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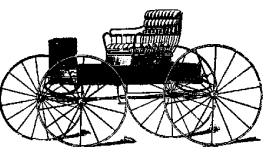
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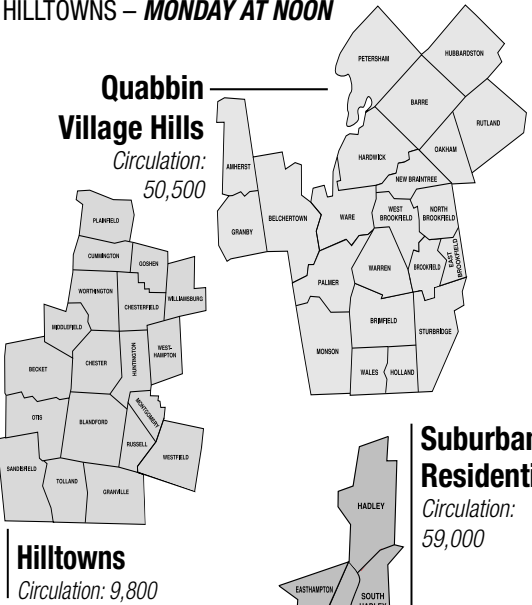
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COLLEGE NOTES

Torri Lonergan of South Hadley Graduates from St. Lawrence University

CANTON, NY – Torri R. Lonergan was one of the nearly 465 students who were awarded bachelor degrees from St. Lawrence University conferred in May 2020.

Lonergan is a member of the Class of 2020 and is majoring in global studies and Hispanic studies. Lonergan attended Pioneer Valley Performing Arts High School.

Over 950 students named to spring semester 2020 Dean's List at Western New England University

SPRINGFIELD – Western New England University congratulates over 950 students named to the Spring Semester 2020 Dean's List.

The following students are named to the Dean's List for achieving a semester grade point average of 3.30 or higher.

Aubree Carr of Granby is pursuing a BA in Creative Writing.

Alicia Frappier of Granby is graduating with a BA in Elementary Education/Psychology.

Lauren Hartling of Granby is pursuing a BS in Criminal Justice.

Connor Moriarty of Granby is pursuing a BS in Health Sciences.

Stephanie Ouano of Granby is graduating with a BSE in Mechanical Engineering.

Yugank Sharma of Granby is pursuing a BA in Economics.

Connor Barbacki of South Hadley is pursuing a BSE in Industrial Engineering.

Brooke Conner of South Hadley is pursuing a BSBA in Management & Leadership.

Thomas Doyle of South Hadley is pursuing a BSBA in Accounting.

Shannon Griffin of South Hadley is graduating with a BA in Psychology.

Jacey Rondeau of South Hadley is pursuing a BSE in Civil Engineering.

Kayla Roy of South Hadley is pursuing a BS in Health Sciences.

Aurora Vaznis of South Hadley is graduating with a BSE in Mechanical Engineering/Mechatronics Concentration.

American International College Awards Degrees

SPRINGFIELD – American International College (AIC) has awarded degrees to undergraduate scholars representing seven foreign countries in addition to twelve states and Washington, DC. The College congratulates all of these dedicated, newly-minted graduates for their sincere commitment to completing their education during this unprecedented time.

Edward Beattie of South Hadley
Brett Moody of Granby

Local residents named to Spring 2020 Dean's List at Saint Michael's College

COLCHESTER, VT – The following local residents were named to the Dean's List at Saint Michael's College for the Spring 2020 semester. Sarah Scott, a Sophomore biology major from Granby and a graduate of Macduffie School.

Nicole Conner, a May 2020 Graduate English/secondary education/Latin major from South Hadley and a graduate of South Hadley High School.



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began to ATV up the unruly mountain-side, Fay quickly realized that the rescue would out of the ordinary.

“Any animal rescue in the area is quite unusual; it’s not too often we have something like that. To have an animal hanging off a cliff; I don’t think it’s been done around here that I know of,” said Fay.

Moore was also caught off guard but noted that the rescue team didn’t hesitate to act. With the outcome in question, Moore described the group’s collective chain of thought.

“I remember thinking that this was going to be different because this is an animal, and you can’t really communicate like you can with a human saying, ‘I’m here to help.’ I was very confident in our side of what we were about to do but I didn’t have the trust in the patient. I thought that any wrong move from either one of them could equal a bad result, but luckily Wiley was great,” said Moore.

Fay assumed the adrenaline-provoking role of venturing down to Wiley. With dog treats in his pocket, Fay made his way over the steep terrain.

“We established an anchor point and made sure it was solid,” said Fay. “Then, we set up a lowering and a hauling system using our ropes and our hardware. We lowered myself down close enough so that I could reach him. Basically, we used all of our training and did the same as we would for a person.”

Using webbing, Fay crafted a makeshift harness to lift Wiley off the ridge. Luck was on Wiley’s side, and Faye was able to remove the animal from the spot he was stuck in for more than an hour.

“Everything just worked out,” said Moore. “Where he was, Wiley’s footing was solid enough. There were some plants that were holding the soil together in that one little spot so it wasn’t too loose where he was.”

Fay noted Wiley’s cool demeanor.



South Hadley High School teacher Heather Ellis and her two-year-old dog Wiley pose with Lt. Brian Fay, Capt. Ryan Moore and firefighter Scott Libby of South Hadley Fire District #2. The first responders rescued Wiley from a ledge on Mt. Tom on April 22.

During a most precarious situation, Wiley never once lost his composure.

“He was as calm as can be and he let me do everything I needed to do to put some webbing around him as safely as I could. It really worked out really well; I could not have asked for it to go better,” said Fay.

While Wiley calmly walked away from his near-death experience, Fay admitted that he was momentarily unnerved. Back at the station, Fire Chief Todd Calkins was also on edge; on Oct. 14, he jok-

ingly recounted his emotions.

“You weren’t the only ones shaking. I was shaking down at the command post knowing where you guys were,” said Calkins.

On Oct. 14, Ellis and Wiley visited Fire District #2 to pay tribute to their heroes. Ellis offered the department a new dog harness to be used if a similar scenario unfolds on the mountainside.

“There are so many trails that are like that in the mountain range,” said Ellis. “When I came home, I knew we had to do



On April 22, Lt. Brian Faye scaled the mountainside to rescue Wiley, a Siberian Husky.

something. They went above and beyond the call of duty; it’s our family’s pleasure to make that donation. We’re so grateful.”

Ellis spent more than 30 minutes conversing with Calkins and members of the rescue team on Wednesday. Happy that Wiley is safe and healthy, Fay voiced his appreciation for Ellis’ gesture.

“God forbid we ever have to go up there and do it again, we will be more prepared and ready to do what we have to do,” he said.



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